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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR MEETING WITH MINISTER OF DEFENSE ON CURRENT
MILITARY ISSUES

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1. AMBASSADOR ACCOMPANIED BY DCM, MET WITH SUDAN MINDEF LT. GEN. BASHIR MOHAMED ALI MARCH 15 REVIEWED CURRENT ISSUES IN BILATERAL MILITARY SALES AREA.
2. AMBASSADOR PROVIDED INFO RE ENGINEER EQUIPMENT CONTAINED REFS A AND B. MINISTER, WHO SEEMED PLEASED WITH USG WILLINGNESS PROVIDE ENGINEER EQUIPMENT, SAID SUDANGOV WILL REVIEW MATTER AND LET US KNOW WHETHER IT WISHES PURCHASE EQUIPMENT COMMERCIALY OR VIA FMS PROCEDURES.
3. REGARDING LETTER FROM MINISTER PRESIDENCY AFFAIRS RE LONG TERM SERVICE CONTRACT FOR C-130S MINDEF CONFIRMED THAT MILITARY DO NOT REPEAT NOT WANT TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH LOCKHEED. HE THUS CONFIRMED INFO CONTAINED REF C AND AS EXPECTED SAID HE WISHES TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH DR. BAHA. EL-DIN IDRIS, THE MINISTER OF PRESIDENCY AFFAIRS.

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4. AMBASSADOR INFORMED MINDEF THAT INFORMAL NOTIFICATION HAS GONE TO CONGRESS ON F-5S FOR SUDAN. BASHIR SAID HE DISCUSSED F-5/AIR DEFENSE PACKAGE DURING RECENT VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. HE SAID SAUDI MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAS PASSED HIS RECOMMENDATION TO HIGHER DEFENSE COUNCIL CHAIRED BY PRINCE FAHD. SUDANESE ARE WAITING TO LEARN OF HIGHER DEFENSE COUNCIL DECISION.

5. COMMENT: ON ALL THREE ISSUES THEN, WE ARE AWAITING
WORD FROM SUDANESE. WE HAVE INFORMED MINDEF THAT EMBASSY
WILL TAKE NO REPEAT NO ACTION ON ENGINEER EQUIPMENT OR
LOCKHEED SERVICE CONTRACT UNTIL WE ARE ADVISED BY MINDEF
ON HOW HE WISHES TO PROCEED. WE SHALL NOTIFY DEPARTMENT
AS SOON AS ANY AUTHORITATIVE INFO BECOMES AVAILABLE.

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